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Since there have been a number of conflicting reports on the identity of General Georgiev, it appears advisable to submit the information below as the most positive opinion to date.

1. The Malinin-Georgiev question has long been under discussion among official circles in Berlin. Two Malinins are known.
 - a. Lt. General Malinin, who is Sokolovski's Chief of Staff in Potsdam, is seldom seen.
 - b. Major General Malinin, who is deputy to the Deputy Military Governor of Berlin, is frequently seen at the Allied Control Council. The situation is further complicated by a report that (b) is scheduled to become deputy to (a).
2. Lt. General Georgiev is believed to be identical with (a). However, there is no positive confirmation. It is the hypothesis that there is one individual with two functions and names. Malinin (a) has the official position of Chief of Staff but he is not concerned with military command. His real functions, exercised under the name of Georgiev, are both intelligence and political at the highest level, with direct Moscow authority presumed to emanate chiefly from Maria and, perhaps, Molotov.

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